

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

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Snow has come since last we wrote, and an impulse is given to all kinds of business. There is fair sleighing at several points we have heard from in this Province. Breadstuffs are firm; flour a trifle higher than two weeks ago.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The stock of flour here is but small, the feeling in the market is steady, and prices are about 5 cents per bl, better all round. Sales have continued to be made of 50 and 100 bbl. lots of Superior Extra at \$4.50, and at outside points at equal to \$4 55, and of Extra at \$4 40 Spring Extra has been offering at \$4 40. Oatmeal—prices maintained, sales of round lots at \$4.75 to \$4.85, small parcels bring our outside figure. Bran is scarce, and in demand at \$12.50 per ton.

GRAIN.—Wheat—Fall, stock in store 103,650 bush., against 175,244 bush. last year same date. There is a better feeling in the British market, and the past week has witnessed an advance of from 1d. to 2d. on wheat, even in the face of increased supplies, while the feeling in the United States is stronger. There have been some sales here at fairly steady prices, the bulk being No. 2 and 3, but we note a sale of No. 1, some days ago, at 95c., f.o.c., while No. 2 has since brought 93c. and 94c., and 91c is said to have been paid for No. 3, the market is easier to-day. Wheat—Spring, not much in store, the quantity being 32,926 bush., against 36,282 last year, like time. Only car lots for millers' use have been moving, and these have changed hands at \$1 for No. 1, and 98c. for No. 2. Barley—The stock in store is reduced to 176,393 bushels, while it was 313,516 bushels at same time last year. The close of navigation has brought prices down, although since our last a good deal changed hands in both car and cargo lots, and up to close of last week, shipments continued to Oswego. Prices obtained were from 77c. a week ago down to 75c. yesterday for No. 1; from 72c. to 70c. for No. 2, with No. 3 neglected. The market closes at about our quotations, dull, as usual at this season. Peas—Only 2,969 bushels in store, against last year 11,960 bushels. The market is firmer, and there is a better demand. Farmers are not bringing their grain forward. Oats are scarce, and wanted, 41c. would readily be paid for good No. 1. Nothing doing in corn, which remains about nominal at 75c. to 80c. Rye unchanged.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Prices of hides are unchanged as yet, but the market is well supplied with hides, and there is some weakness apparent. Sheepskins.—For best fresh city skins \$1.25 is still paid, but there is a certain loss at those figures, and a decline is talked of. Tallow continues in good request, very little in stock.

PROVISIONS.—The market for hog products is weak, with declining tendency, receipts of hogs are increasing, and packers are indifferent about purchasing at over 7 1/2c. per lb. There has been a fair jobbing trade in long clear bacon principally to the lumber districts. Mess pork is in light demand at \$21 to \$21.50. Lard is selling at 14 1/2c. to 15c., Hams at 14 1/2c. to 15c.; Butter remains unchanged, holders have no difficulty in disposing of fine goods at full prices, but common quality remains neglected. Cheese seems rather firm, all the fall make is now in, second hands having been bought at 12c. to 12 1/2c. at the factories. Eggs are firm and unchanged. Poultry is arriving freely, and selling geese 5c. to 5 1/2c., turkeys 7 1/2c. to 8 1/2c.

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